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E-Legislative Update

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On Wednesday night, lawmakers completed months of negotiations on the state budget resulting in an end to the special session. Governor Chris Gregoire called lawmakers back to work for a month after the end of their regular 105-day session.

With a new spirit of bipartisanship, a balanced budget with no new revenue was passed. There were many innovative reforms to ensure the state can continue to provide critical services like health care, education, and public safety.

In the end, the budget includes approximately \$4.5 billion in cuts. The 2011-2013 biennium operating budget can be viewed [here](#).

You can find more information on the session by viewing past [e-legislative updates](#) on our website. These updates provide a general overview highlighting a few bills of interest to the Asian American and Pacific Islander community. For those community members seeking more information, our website hosts a more extensive list of bills utilizing a [bill tracking](#) feature. Highlights from this week can be viewed on [TVW](#)'s Legislative Review.

To find out more information on a particular bill, please visit <http://www.leg.wa.gov>.

To find out more information on bills signed by the Governor, [click here](#).

Information is current as of: April 21, 2011.

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CAPAA was established by the state legislature in 1974 to improve the well-being of Asian Pacific Americans (APAs) by insuring their access to participation in the fields of government, business, education, and other areas. It has a board made up of 12-governor appointed members that represent the diverse APA communities of Washington State.

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